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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Law (Legislation Publication) Department

NOTIFICATION

No. 9083/Leg.Pbn.2/2019/Law. Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 13th May 2019.

The following Act of Parliament published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section I dated 21st day of February, 2019 is hereby republished for general information. The Bill as passed by the House of Parliament received the assent of the President of India on the 21st day of February, 2019.

By order of the Governor,

B. G. Harindranath, *Law Secretary*.

MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE

(Legislative Department)

New Delhi, the 21st February, 2019/Phalguna 2, 1940 (Saka).

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 21st February, 2019, and is hereby published for general information:—

THE PERSONAL LAWS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2019

(Act No. 6 of 2019)

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ACT

[21st February, 2019.]

further to amend the Divorce Act, 1869, the Dissolution of Muslim Marriages Act, 1939, the Special Marriage Act, 1954, the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 and the Hindu Adoptions and Maintenance Act, 1956.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventieth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

CHAPTER I

PRELIMINARY

- **l.** Short title and commencement.—(1) This Act may be called the Personal Laws Amendement Act, 2019.
- (2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

CHAPTER II

AMENDMENT TO THE DIVORCE ACT, 1869

2. Amendment of Section 10 of Act No. 4 of 1869.—In the Divorce Act, 1869, in section 10, in sub section (1), clause (iv) shall be omitted.

CHAPTER III

AMENDMENT TO THE DISSOLUTION OF MUSLIM MARRIAGES ACT, 1939

3. Amendment of Section 2 of Act No. 8 of 1939.—In the Dissolution of Muslim Marriages Act, 1939 in section 2, in ground (vi), the words "leprosy or" shall be omitted.

CHAPTER IV

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIAL MARRIAGE ACT, 1954

4. Amendment of Section 27 of Act No. 43 of 1954.—In the special Marriage Act, 1954 in section 27, in sub section (1), clause (g) shall be omitted.

CHAPTER V

AMENDMENT TO THE HINDU MARRIAGE ACT. 1955

5. Amendment of Section 13 of Act No. 25 of 1955.—In the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 in section 13, in sub section (1), clause (iv) shall be omitted.

CHAPTER VI

AMENDMENT TO THE HINDU ADOPTIONS AND MAINTENANCE ACT, 1956

6. Amendment of Section 18 of Act No. 78 of 1956.—In the Hindu Adoptions and Maintenance Act, 1956 in section 18, in sub section (2), clause (c) shall be omitted.

Dr. G. Narayana Raju, Secretary to the Govt. of India.